

CITY FINANCES.

ARE TWO A MAJORITY OF FIVE?

The Way Our City Fathers Keep the Treasury Empty—Some Startling Facts for Taxpayers.

For some time past many persons—taxpayers, holders of city warrants and others who appear to have no particular interest in the subject, have been making inquiries about the finances of the city of Tombstone. And we have therefore made inquiries at the various sources of information, with the following result:

It appears that there are certain funds, established heretofore by the City Council, for the payment of claims against the city, and on which warrants are drawn by authority of the Council, the charter giving the Council authority to establish said funds, and also giving them authority to take from the general fund to supply any deficiency that may occur in the salary fund, and requiring salaries to be paid in cash.

To understand what follows, it may be necessary to state that Mayor Thomas and Councilman Bagg, with County Treasurer Ritter, are the principal owners of the Daily Prospector, owned by a syndicate of six to eight persons, and that the printers of the Prospector have a contract for doing city printing, payable at the contract price; and in presenting their bills to the Council for printing they make them about double, urging that they must sell them at a great discount, there being no funds on hand.

In July last, after sufficient city taxes were collected, and about \$2,000 was paid on city building bonds and interest, there remained in the city treasury some \$1,200 or \$1,400, properly applicable to the payment of general fund warrants. This fund was about \$10,000 to \$12,000 in arrears, and no payments had been made on these warrants for over two years. At a regular meeting of the Council, Mr. Mayor and Councilman Bagg appearing to understand each other, a motion was made by Bagg to transfer the sum of \$680 (the amount then due on contingent fund) from the general fund to the contingent fund, thereby paying up that fund in full and leaving the general fund minus.

The City Attorney was present and opposed this, stating that the Council had no authority to make such a transfer, and that to do so would be to cheat the holders of general fund warrants, in favor of the holders of contingent fund warrants.

The debate waxed hot, Mayor Thomas taking the view opposed to the City Attorney, and tried hard to choke off that officer, because he said he owned no city warrants.

On a vote, three Councilmen, Lea, Watt and Lippert, voted against the measure; the Mayor and Mr. Bagg, for it. This, it was supposed, finished that business. Not so. In August, Mayor Thomas called a special meeting of the Council, to take into consideration the disposition of funds, etc.

The meeting was called at 9:30 a. m., to take place at 11 a. m., and notice was served by leaving word at the places of Messrs. Lea and Watt, and they being at work in the mines, got the notice at 6 p. m., so that the meeting was composed of the Mayor, Councilmen Bagg and Lippert, and the same motion to transfer funds as before was made and carried by the Mayor and Mr. Bagg; and this, called "A resolution of the Mayor and Common Council," was at once handed to the Treasurer and the funds paid out. It appears that this system of transferring funds has been in use for about two to three years.

Besides the above, the city owes about \$1,800 of old salary warrants, for services rendered before the present amended charter went into effect. And the Council makes no effort to pay these any more than general fund warrants. If this system is continued, how much will general fund warrants of the city of Tombstone be worth in a year?

Dealers now refuse to give 50 per cent for them. All this is a virtual repudiation of the city's debt, by taking the funds to pay favored creditors, and if continued another year, city warrants will be worth 0.

More than five-sixths of the \$680 due on the contingent fund was for warrants issued to the Mayor and Councilmen in payment for services as a board of equalization, and to pay Nash & Tilden for printing.

That \$100 bill, that passed through the hands of some of our most prominent business men, was pronounced counterfeit at the bank no less than three different times, and finally found its way to the money drawer of a faro bank, is creating considerable of a sensation.

On Wednesday last James McDermott was caught in a cave in the Black Top mine and was seriously injured, having his right leg broken above the knee and two ribs loosened. It is feared he also received internal injuries. He was removed to the hospital.

Mr. Frank C. Earle the well-known assayer, returned Tuesday from a trip to La Bota ranch, west of the Huachuacas, whither he went to inspect some ancient ruins in the interest of archeology, in which science Mr. Earle is quite a student. He discovered pottery, arrow heads and metals in abundance, and procured some interesting data. Extending through the Tereneta ranch, across La Bota and into Arizona, for a distance of ten or twelve miles, is a region abounding in ancient ruins, which must have been at one time

densely populated. At present only the foundation stones of the buildings can be seen, but the streets and remains of dwellings are plainly discernible. Here is a field for some enthusiastic archaeologist hitherto unexplored.

LATEST FROM THE MAILS.

This morning Superintendent Richards of the N. M. and A. railroad, telephoned to Bob Darragh that the Eastern mail would arrive at Benson to-day, a transfer having been made. Mr. Darragh will send down a coach this afternoon and bring up the mail this evening, reaching here at 5 or 6 o'clock. In addition to this, Charley Cowell will arrive this evening about the same time with the mail that has been held at Willcox. Last night Postmaster Clark received a dispatch from Superintendent Noble, of the S. P. road, that the repairs at the Cienega would be completed in a day or two and trains running through on time.

THE BURRO SOCIAL.

The social season was auspiciously opened on Thursday evening by a unique entertainment given by Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Blinn in honor of their son Irving. The affair was called a "burro social." A painting of a tailless burro, life size, was hung upon the wall, and each guest was blindfolded, placed about twenty feet away from the animal, turned once around, and was told to pin a ribbon upon the place where the tail ought to be. The difference of opinion as to the proper location caused a great deal of amusement. Prizes were given to the ladies and gentlemen coming nearest to and farthest from the objective point.

Miss Mary Goodrich and Mr. Frank C. Earle secured the former, and Mrs. G. N. Gage and Dr. Goodfellow the latter. After the game the spacious billiard room was cleared, and dancing was indulged in until a late hour. The floor was perfection, the music excellent. Games of cards and conversation occupied the time of those more quietly inclined. The worthy host and hostess spared no pains to make the occasion a most enjoyable one, and they succeeded. As a social event, considering the decorations, the collation, and the general good time, the affair has never been excelled in Tombstone. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Gage, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Leach, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Herring, Dr. and Mrs. G. E. Goodfellow, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Gage, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bayless, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Reppy, Mrs. Ben Goodrich, Mrs. M. M. Sherman, the Misses Herring, the Misses Goodrich, Misses Anderson, Hart, Snead, Easton, Jones and Ellis; Messrs. W. J. Cheyney, Herbert Gage, Stanton, Redstreak, Williams, Herring, Daily, Monk, Earle, Read, Castle, Phil. Hart and Sam Bayless.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. F. S. Earle arrived yesterday from the East, and is a guest of Mrs. G. G. Berry.

James Hume, engineer at the Grand Central, is laid up by an accident to his leg caused by being thrown from a burro.

Miss Clara Hawes, of Freeport, Ill., arrived from the East this week, and will pay her old friend Mrs. J. V. Vickers a protracted visit.

W. B. Horton, ex-Superintendent of Public Instruction of the Territory, was killed by an Indian scout, at San Carlos last Thursday.

Mr. M. M. O'Gorman returned this week from a month's trip to Durango, whither he went to inspect a five million acre ranch in the interest of California capitalists.

Mr. and Mrs. Morse of Maine, accompanied by their three children, are expected here next week, on their way to Tempe, which place they will make their future home. Mrs. Morse is a sister of Mrs. L. W. Blinn.

Lieut. A. M. Patch, A. A. Quartermaster at Ft. Huachuca, has retired from the army and becomes the proprietor of the sutler store and hotel at the Fort. Lieut. J. Parker takes the position vacated by Lieut. Patch.

Mr. Will Gird came in from his La Bota ranch on Friday. He reports the posts set for fourteen miles along the northern boundary line of the ranch, ready for the wire, the arrival of which has been delayed by the washouts.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Godfrey, who contemplate a trip to St. Louis during the National Encampment of the G. A. R., were delayed by washouts on the Southern Pacific. While in St. Louis they will be guests of Mr. Godfrey's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Mahler of Vandewater place.

Rain! rain! rain!!! will it never let up?

The Driving Park Association is assuming definite shape.

James Burnett received the wood contract at Ft. Huachuca at the low rate of \$2.50 per cord.

Round trip tickets from Deming to St. Louis are \$36.80, good going East until September 27th.

A party of pleasure seekers contemplate a picnic excursion to Cochise Stronghold on Thursday next.

IMPORTANT STRIKES.

SILVER THREAD—NORTH POINT.

The Most Important Developments Made in the Camp for Years—Good Work Being Done all Along the Line.

The ground at the east end of Allen street, owned by the Grand Central Company, continues to be the point which attracts most interest in this camp at the present time. It is comparatively a late development which brings the Silver Thread and North Point into such prominence. These claims were held by poor men until recently, when they came into possession of the great company of the district; since which time the great activity has been displayed in prospecting them. Shafts have been sunk to a depth of several hundred feet and drifts driven from the depth in different directions. The result has been that large ore bodies, rich in gold and silver, have been developed in the Thread, and a regular vein, assaying more than fifty ounces, has been cut in the North Point, at a depth of 224 feet. The shaft now being sunk to connect with this drift is down 164 feet, leaving 60 feet further of work before connection will be made. This was rendered necessary by the bad air in the drift, and until connection is made, little can be done below. The very best miners are at work in the air shaft, and are averaging five feet a day in hard rock. So that in twelve days more the mine will be in condition for that thorough development which the Grand Central Company gives its properties. In sinking this shaft, several nice stringers of ore have been cut, but little attention has been paid to them, such has been the haste to make connection.

One peculiarity of these late strikes is the large percentage of gold carried in the ore. And yet to those who are acquainted with the great lode, it is not peculiar. To the south of the Grand Central proper, little or no gold is found, while in the Contention, Head Center, Sulphure, Tranquility and Silver Thread the gold appears in greater quantities as the strike of the vein is followed to the north.

The Grand Central people have adopted the correct course, as results have shown, in prospecting this peculiar ground. Overlying the country rock lies a quarternary formation—cement and gravel—to a depth of 100 to 300 feet, and probably still deeper to the north. They have sunk through this, got into solid formation, and drifted. Old-timers will remember the work of Nadeau and the Mesa Consolidated, further to the north, whose patience or means were exhausted before they got through the drift. It may be that very ground is as good as any in the camp. Money and time alone can tell.

Other properties of the Grand Central Company are moving along about the same. The Emerald is furnishing its quota of fifty tons per day, while the State of Maine, Grand Central, Boss and other mines make up the necessary amount to keep the mill running night and day.

BUNKER HILL.

Connection was made last Tuesday on the 400 level with the winze from the 300, and the air in the mine is now as pure as need be. This drift was driven 205 feet north from the main shaft, through hard rock, but now that connection is made is being continued on at the present writing about 12 feet beyond the winze in much softer ground. In 20 feet further it is expected to catch the hanging wall, as indicated from the dip above. The level will then be systematically opened, and perhaps a new main shaft started, as it is here the main ore shoot is found. As it is at present, it requires too much work through hard rock to reach the ore bodies from different levels. The mine is looking well and producing the usual quantity of good ore.

LUCKY CUSS.

Work at the T. M. & M. Co.'s Lucky Cuss continues with great activity. The hoisting machinery from the Girard is now on the ground and is being placed in position. The new shaft is down 50 feet and is being sunk as rapidly as possible to tap the large ore body already developed by drift below. Great things are looked for from this property, and we are satisfied the expectations of the owners will be more than realized.

OLD GUARD.

The same activity continues on this property as noted last week. Work of enlarging the shaft is being actively prosecuted, the hoisting being done by a whip. Much of the machinery for the mill is now on the ground, and the grade is nearly completed. The arrival of hoisting machinery, ordered from San Francisco, is delayed by the washouts, but otherwise everything is moving along as rapidly as possible. The new office building is completed and is a model of its kind. It contains eight rooms, is one-story high and has porches around three sides. The company is doing nothing by halves, and is fixing up like it came to stay.

OMEGA.

From the bottom of the 105 foot shaft a crosscut has been run to catch the hanging wall 28 feet distant. From thence a winze is being sunk; also drifting on the ledge, in 15 feet towards the new shaft, which is now down 55 feet.

CONTENTION.

Efforts have been made by different parties to secure a lease on this reliable old dividend producer, as it is known that

it contains much ore above water level; but the efforts have proven unavailing. The owners evidently know what they are about, and are patiently waiting for the completion of the main shaft and pumps in the Grand Central before resuming operations. In the meantime good ore is being developed all around them, and much money is being made above water level.

MAMIE.

It is understood that Mr. Geo. D. Chaffee, of Shelbyville, Ill., who has been here for a week or more in the interest of the owners of this property, has bonded the same to the Grand Central Company. The mine has produced in the past six months more than \$20,000. At least, a royalty of 10 per cent has been paid by chloriders upon that amount of production.

The terms of the lease under which Messrs. Gage and Leach of the Grand Central company have secured the Mamie and Treasury Hill are as follows: The time is one year; lessees are to pay 20 per cent on amount of ore produced, and are to do \$200 worth of work on the last named claim. At least three men are to be constantly employed, and horse or steam hoist is to be run six months. Lessees have an option on the Mamie at \$25,000 and on the Treasury Hill at \$2,500 during the life of the lease. R. W. Wood is resident agent for the owners.

HARD UP.

This property, which is generally considered one of the most promising prospects in the camp, has been leased by S. C. Bagg and associates.

More rains and more washouts on the railroad. It is now believed that it will be three or four weeks before freight will get through, and a food famine is feared.

F. N. Wolcott's Cash Store is now ready for business at the new location in the Otis building, on Fremont street, near the Postoffice. The choicest and freshest groceries at the lowest cash prices.

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NOTICE!

To the Taxpayers of Cochise County, Arizona Territory.

The duplicate assessment roll of the County of Cochise, for the year 1887, is now in my possession for the collection of taxes levied therein.

Taxes will be delinquent on the third Monday of December, 1887, and unless paid on that day or prior thereto, five per cent will be added to the amount thereof as penalty.

Said taxes will be received at the Tax Collector's Office in the City of Tombstone, during the above time.

A. J. RITTER,

Treasurer and Ex-Officio Tax Collector, for Cochise County, Arizona Territory.



\$250 Reward.

The above reward will be paid for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons unlawfully handling any of my stock. Brand H G on left hip.

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Quarantine Proclamation

TERRITORY OF ARIZONA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR.

Whereas, the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of the Territory have officially certified that they have reason to believe that conditions have existed and continue to exist which render animals of the bovine species from the continent of Europe and the Republic of Mexico liable to convey disease, and request a quarantine to be established against said localities.

Now, therefore, I, C. Meyer Zulick, Governor of the Territory of Arizona, by virtue of the authority of law in me vested, do hereby order, establish and declare a Quarantine, to take effect immediately, against the Continent of Europe and the Republic of Mexico, on all bovine cattle from said localities coming into the Territory of Arizona, unless they are quarantined at the ports of entry prescribed by the Rules and Regulations of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Arizona, for a period of NINETY DAYS, and retained there until they shall receive a certificate of health signed by the Veterinary Surgeon of the Territory of Arizona, or some duly authorized deputy under him.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the Territory to be hereto affixed. Done at Prescott, the Capital, this Eighteenth day of August, A. D. 1887. C. MEYER ZULICK.

By the Governor: JAS. A. BAYARD, Secretary of the Territory.

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SAM M. BARROW, Allen St., Between Fourth & Fifth.

\$500 REWARD.

The undersigned hereby offer Five Hundred Dollars for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who brutally murdered Nicholas McCormick on August 25th, 1887, about three miles from Bisbee.

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